



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

File Ref.: A5638

Title: Letter of Non-Objection to Conduct Magnetotelluric Surveys

Location: State-Owned School Lands, Parcel IDs: 104-013, 015, 017, 022, 024, 104-019-02, and 104-009-01, T12N R9W Sections 11, 12, 13, 23, 24, and T12N R8W Section 19, Lake County

Description: Request to conduct Magnetotelluric surveys to map geological and geophysical features of State-owned School lands to record naturally occurring electromagnetic fields and collect data on subsurface rock formations. The surveys would occur at nine locations and would include temporary burial of electrodes and coils six inches in the ground with a one-meter-long coil buried vertically 2.5 feet in the ground.

Name of Approving Public Agency: California State Lands Commission

Name of Proponent (Person or Agency): Koloma Exploration, LLC

Exempt Status: Categorical Exemption

- CLASS 6, INFORMATION COLLECTION (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15306)

Reasons for exemption:

Issuance of a letter of non-objection to conduct magnetotelluric surveys to map geological and geophysical features will cause only a minor physical change in the environment and will not change existing activities in the area. There is no reasonable possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances. Therefore, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment, and the above categorical exemption applies.

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